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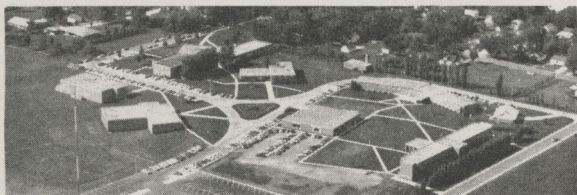
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ENROLLMENT PASSES 800 MARK

**PROF. DE JONG AUTHORS
BOOK ON EDUCATION**



Joining a growing list of authors among the Dordt faculty is Mr. Norman De Jong, Assistant Professor of Education. Presbyterian and Reformed Publishing Company has announced October 10 as the release date for his first Book, entitled Education in the Truth. The book will be printed in paperback and is 232 pages in length.

According to the preface, the book is an attempt to formulate a Christian philosophy of education based on the infallible Scriptures. Hopefully the book will be used as a basic expression of the truths and principles which undergird all true education. Throughout the book there is an attempt to show the integral relationship between the Christian faith and the proper work of schools. The book further attempts to avoid technical language in the hope that it may be read by layman and educator alike.

The book can be ordered through either the Dordt Campus Bookstore or directly from Presbyterian and Reformed Publishing Company, P. O. Box 185, Nutley 10, New Jersey 07110.

25 States, 4 Provinces of Canada Represented

Dordt College was greeted this fall by a large contingent of students from 25 states, 4 provinces of Canada and a few from other countries. The enrollment of 810 exceeds last year's number by 117. This is considerably more than had been anticipated by the administration. The citizens of Sioux Center have supplied ample housing to meet the large increase of students. Dordt is grateful for the two new buildings, science and physical education, without which it would be almost impossible to carry out its academic program effectively. Below is a list of students by states, provinces, or other country.

State or Province	
Alaska	2
Arizona	2
California	48
Colorado	15
Delaware	1
Florida	1
Illinois	34
Indiana	8
Iowa	282
Kansas	2
Massachusetts	3
Michigan	36
Minnesota	113
Montana	17
Nebraska	6
New Jersey	7
New Mexico	1
New York	6
North Dakota	4
Oregon	1
Pennsylvania	9
South Dakota	43
Virginia	1
Washington	46
Wisconsin	45
Alberta	49
British Columbia	11
Manitoba	8
Ontario	7
Mexico	2

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Class

	Men	Women	Total
Freshman	151	182	333
Sophomores	80	108	188
Junior	69	75	144
Senior	66	57	123
Special	9	4	13
Part-time	1	8	9
	376	434	810

REFORMATION MASS MEETING TO BE HELD IN DORDT'S NEW AUDITORIUM

Rev. George Gritter to Speak

Date: Thursday, October 31,
8:00 P.M.

Each year Dordt celebrates the great reformation by holding a mass meeting. Again this fall on Thursday, October 31, at 8:00 p.m. there will be a meeting for the general public held in the new Dordt auditorium. Rev. George Gritter, minister of Alger Park church in Grand Rapids, Michigan will be the speaker. He is well known to many of the constituents as an ardent advocate of the distinctively Reformed faith and an able speaker.

There will be special music provided by the college music department. Those who attend the meeting will enjoy the excellent parking facilities and the attractive auditorium.

LIBRARY GIFTS FROM SOCIETIES

Each year the Dordt library receives income from the church societies to help with the building up of the library volumes. Due to lack of space, recent contributions could not be recorded in this issue of The Voice. They will, however, appear in the next issue, D.V. The help of the societies has played a significant role in the progress made in the library. Dordt invites the church societies to visit the campus. A guided tour will be given the members, if advance notice of their coming is received.



Installation Sermon of College Pastor

Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto according to thy word. Psalm 119:9

Beloved in Christ Jesus:

In my position as campus pastor of Dordt College, I am confronted with many questions. There are questions concerning organization, policy, procedure, and method. But there is also a fundamental question, a question which strikes at the heart and essence of my task. The question is this: "Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way?" This question is always there. It confronts me in a thousand ways.

Because these questions confront me, much of my time and energy will be spent looking for answers. But I am happy and thankful that I need not look or search for an answer to the fundamental question. I have the answer. I did not discover it. I did not receive it from my colleagues. The answer has been given to me by the Word of God.

"Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way?"

By taking heed thereto according to thy word."

Consider with me A QUESTION OF COVENANTAL IMPORT.

I. ITS YOUTHFUL CONCERN.

"Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way?"

These words demonstrate that the Word of God is concerned with and interested in youth. The text asks a question about a young man. It could have asked, "Wherewith shall a man cleanse his way?" But that isn't the question. The psalmist concentrates on youth.

This should not surprise us, for Scripture often selects youth for special consideration. Listen. "Rejoice, O young man in thy youth and let thy heart cheer thee." (Ecclesiastes 11:9) "Remember also thy creator in the days of thy youth." (Ecclesiastes 12:1) "Let no man despise thy youth." (1 Timothy 4:12)

These words also indicate an attitude on the part of God Himself. This—the Bible—is the Word of God. Therefore, if the Bible shows specific interest in youth, we may know that God Himself has a specific interest in youth.

This fact is gratifying to me. Fourteen years ago this month I was ordained a minister of the Word in the Ireton Christian Reformed Church. Since that time the Lord has called me from Ireton to Orange City, from Orange City to Jenison, Michigan. In each of these places I have ministered to congregations composed of families; grandparents, parents, young people, and children. God blessed me in this ministry. But on February 26 of this year there came a call from the First Christian Reformed Church of Sioux Center indicating that

"you, Rev. John B. Hulst, have been called to be our associate pastor to serve as college pastor at Dordt College." Needless to say, I was thrilled. But would it be legitimate to turn from a congregation to a ministry in which I would concentrate specifically on youth? The answer was and still is "yes." The Word of God and the God of the Word have specific interest in and for youth.

But what is the reason for our text's youthful concern?

Many reasons can be given. The time of youth is crucial. Scripture makes this clear by what it says in Ecclesiastes 12:1 and also in Proverbs 22:6, "Train up a child in the way he should go, and even when he is old he will not depart from it." The time of youth is also a time of excess. John Calvin comments upon this, noting that the carnal propensities are "very powerful in youth requiring a double restraint; and the more they are inclined to excess, the greater is the necessity for curbing their licentiousness." (*Commentary On The Psalms*, IV, p. 407.)

But these considerations are secondary, and they are significant only in the light of God's covenant. When God formally established His covenant with Abraham, He established that covenant, not only with Abraham, but also with the seed of Abraham. This point is emphasized throughout the Scriptures. "For to you is the promise, and to your children..." (Acts 2:39) It is through the children of believers that God maintains His covenant. That is to say, it is through the children of believers that God preserves His people on earth; a people who acknowledge Him as their God, serve Him as their Lord, and glorify Him as the One who alone is worthy of praise.

Can you imagine this God being indifferent to those through whom He maintains and continues His covenant? Can you imagine the Christian Reformed Church or Dordt College—both charged with covenantal consciousness—being indifferent to the youth of the covenant? I believe the creation of the office of campus pastor and my presence here, along with the entire philosophy and educational program at Dordt College, is an answer to that question.

II. ITS OBVIOUS ASSUMPTIONS.

This question of covenantal import is based upon certain obvious assumptions.

The first assumption is that this young man is defiled by sin. If this were not the case the question would be meaningless. The obvious assumption is that he is not clean but defiled, polluted and dirty within. Further, it is evident that this pollution reflects itself in every aspect of his life and being, for inquiry is made concerning his "way," his life.

The second assumption is that this defilement is not good, and that something

must be done to correct this condition. Again, if this were not the case, the question would be meaningless. One does not inquire after that which needs no correction. "Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way?" The assumption is that the youngman's pollution is not good, and that something must be done to cleanse his life, his way. Of course, this youngman's pollution is bad! Pollution produces further sin and sin's resulting misery. Pollution poses a threat to the continuation of the covenant life. Pollution makes it impossible for this youngman to fulfill the reason for his existence. He was created by God to serve God in God's world. Defiled by sin, the young man cannot fulfill this purpose.

The final assumption is that something can be done to correct the condition, to cleanse the youngman's heart. The question is presented because there is an answer. Indeed, this is not always the case. But our God, who is gracious, does not lead a person to inquire about his sinful condition without providing and revealing an answer, a means whereby this condition may be corrected. God does provide an answer, an answer which we will consider in a moment.

But, before we go on to consider this answer, I wish to make it clear that the assumptions basic to this covenantal question are and must continue to be basic to my ministry among you. In my campus ministry I shall assume, young people, that you are defiled by sin. I cannot assume that what you want is right because you want it, that what you say is right because you say it, that what you do is right because you do it. Quite the opposite is true, because you are defiled by sin. I shall assume, further, that your defilement is bad and that something must be done about. Sin brings misery, jeopardizes the continuation of God's covenantal life within you, and frustrates the realization of your created purpose—the praise of our God. But I shall also assume that there is cleansing for your defiled heart and life.

Ah, but just one moment!

Have I given you the impression that I am standing on a pedestal marked "Perfection," while I look upon your defilement in proud disgust? I'm sorry, terribly sorry! Please understand that these words come from the heart of one who knows better than anyone else the awfulness of his sin; who has wept because of that sin; who, because he knows himself, is not going to be shocked by your sin and will seek to be sympathetic and endeavor to help you with the problems which sin creates; who is going to point you to the mercy seat because he's been there himself.

Have I possibly led you, parents, to say within yourselves, "I'm glad they have a college pastor at Dordt who dares to tell these young people how terrible they are.

The way young people conduct themselves today is a shame. It's absolutely essential that someone sets them straight?" I'm sorry you feel this way. And, frankly, your attitude angers me. Haven't you been confronted with the reality of your own sin? Haven't you ever heard Jesus say, "He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone?" Don't you see that, if you continue to show this attitude, you, more than anyone else, must be counted responsible for the so-called generation gap?

Or have I led you, young people, to a feeling of resentment? Are you now saying, "No one has a right to tell us we're defiled; this defilement is bad; our lives need correction?" Again, I'm sorry this is your attitude. But don't you see? The cruelest of people are those who tell you you're the greatest just because you're you. Only when your plight is made clear will you seek the answer to the question which confronts us.

III. ITS CLEAR ANSWER

"By taking heed thereto according to thy word."

The answer to our question is found in the Word of God. The youngman must turn to the Word, and when he does he will learn something. He will learn that his life, his way is polluted with sin. He will learn that there is cleansing in the blood of Jesus

Christ, a cleansing merited at Calvary and applied through the Spirit of Jesus Christ. He will learn that in this Spirit of Christ there is power to overcome sin and power to live the covenantal life, the life which glorifies and praises God. He will learn, finally, that by faith in God through Jesus Christ there is life, eternal life in principle here and in reality there.

This is what the Word of God reveals. This Word must be known by the youngman.

But this is only part of the answer. It is not enough that the youngman know the Word. Many know the Word but are not cleansed from their sins. The young man is to apply the teachings of the Word to his heart and life. Listen! "Wherewith shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed thereto (that is, by taking heed to his way) according to thy word."

The young man is to take heed to himself. He must look at himself. As he does so he is to ask, "What am I and why? How can I correct what is wrong with me? How can I fulfill the purpose of my existence? How can I live a life which is meaningful and significant?"

Further, the young man is to take heed to himself according to, that is, in the light of the Word. Many young people are looking at themselves today and asking the questions we've suggested. But they have done so apart from the absolute standard of the Word. Such self-searching apart from the Word has produced neurotics, hippies, and yuppies, alcoholics and dope addicts, demonstrators and rebels, young people

sick of themselves and their society. But this young man is to evaluate himself in the light of the Word of God. Doing so he will be enjoined to confess that he is defiled because he has sinned: that he cannot save himself and divine redemption is his only hope; that he must have the power of the Holy Spirit to enjoy the blessings of redemption and live the God-glorifying life; that he would live in fellowship with God through Christ now, that he may live in perfect glory with God then.

You see? The Word is to be known and applied to the youngman's life. Only then will he know what he is and why; how to correct that which is wrong; how to fulfill the purpose of his existence; how to live a life which is meaningful and significant.

Church of Jesus Christ and students of Dordt College—

I was called to this place and position as a minister of the Word. I come to you as a minister, a servant of the Word. I come as a representative of God, not of self. I come with the Word of God, not my own. As a representative of God, ministering in the Word, I seek to teach you concerning your sin, the cleansing power of the blood and Spirit of Jesus Christ, and the life in God. I seek to aid you in the application of that knowledge so that, in the power of His grace, you may confess your sin, acknowledge Him as your Redeemer, experience the power of the Spirit, and live the abundant life here in preparation for that life which is to come. I seek this for you because I know that it is only when you take heed to yourselves in the light of the Word that you can escape the misery of sin and be happy; that you can live as and be part of God's continuing covenant; that you can fulfill the reason for your creation—the glory and praise of Jehovah!

Yes, this is how I come to you.

I pray that you will receive me, because you have received my God!

Amen.

J. B. Hulst

1968-1969 TRAVELOGUE SERIES AT DORDT COLLEGE

The new travelogue program will provide thrills and adventure for everyone, young and old. It will provide new insights into other interesting countries. Join all or one of the experienced travel guides on these film expeditions. They are experts in their areas.

Season tickets are now available by writing or calling to the Dordt College Business Office.

Adult season tickets. . . \$5.00 plus tax

Student season tickets. . . \$3.00 plus tax

Tickets at the door will sell for \$1.25 for adults and \$.75 for students.

November 1 - The first Travelogue will be featuring scenes on the Hawaiian Islands. Some of the history of our 50th state, as well as points of interest, and the people who live on these small islands will be featured. You will not want to miss this first program in this exciting series.

On December 6, "Wings to the Bahamas" will be shown. An interesting view of this "sea-bound real estate" 55 miles off the U.S. mainland is presented. Here 800 exotic tropical islands dot the Atlantic for an area of 4400 square miles, from quaint Nassau to Out Islands. The Bahamas have been peopled for over 400 years to add color and interest.

On January 11, "Hosteling in Germany" takes the viewer on a bicycle trip of 500 miles through Germany showing the picturesque and historic scenery along the way, as the Rhine River, Heidelberg, Konigsee, and the "Castles of the King."

February 7, the Canadian province of Nova Scotia will be featured. Nova Scotia can be seen as a land of variety where people from many lands have preserved much of their old world heritage. It pictures deep sea fishing, beautiful old cities and gardens, Cape Breton Highlands National Park, and many of its inviting beaches set against the wild Highland beauty of the Rocky coast.

On March 7, the "Arizona - Grand Canyon State" exhibits the variety of God's creation from hot sea-level desert to the 12,000 foot snow clad San Francisco peaks. The life of the Navajo in Monument Valley, as well as the splendor of the Grand Canyon of the Colorado River, is shown in this interesting travelogue.

On April 11, "Jungle Adventures" tells the story of a tiger hunt in Brazil and in the process shows much of the tropical jungle and scenery. This film is as unusual and interesting as the entire series of 1968-1969 travelogues. This film will keep you on the edge of your seat, as Mr. Siemel tells of his hair-raising adventures as a professional hunter in South America. You will not want to miss one of the programs--join one of the experienced travel guides on these film expeditions.

Dedication Ceremony Address by College President

It is appropriate that we can dedicate both the science and the physical education buildings at the same time. For this gives us an opportunity as Christians to consider the basic relatedness, importance, and pur-

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pose of all the sciences. It is in a certain sense unfortunate that usually when men think of the sciences they have reference only to biology, chemistry, mathematics and physics. Tonight too we dedicate a science building and a physical education building. If one assumes by this that physical education is not a science, he is, of course, terribly mistaken. Strictly speaking, all our academic buildings are science buildings. For Bible study, history, philosophy, psychology, sociology, English, German, music, et cetera, are all sciences. I am afraid that we have allowed the secular view of science to confuse us here. (When we refer to our science plant we of course really mean the natural sciences.)

When we ask what is the task of a college, the answer is to engage in scientific endeavor. That means that we study the various aspects of God's creation in a theoretical, analytical manner. Take Biology. Here we concentrate upon plants and animals, all living substance, in a certain sense apart from other aspects of the creation. Doing this in a scientific way means that we subject this area to an analytical investigation in order to gain a systematic, well ordered understanding of its content. Also we want to see the interrelationships within the entire area of living substance. Yes we get at the God ordained laws which God has put to this aspect of His creation. The science of physical education does the same only in the area of man's bodily development and motion and the significant relationship of this to man as God's image-bearer. Thus each science is engaged in its particular area of study.

However, since God's creation is an organic whole, a cosmos, not a chaos, while each scientist can specialize in his particular area, if he is to truly see, understand the meaning and purpose of his work in God's creation, he must come to know the laws which function in his field in relationship to all the God ordained and upheld laws of creation. He must ever see the whole in the light of the parts and the parts in the light of the whole. Only then can he, as man, God's image-bearer, God's representative servant-King in the creation, understand the meaning and purpose of the creation. Only then can man in loving, obedient fellowship with God fulfil his calling in the world. Only then can he function in the wholeness of his person as man and in the totality of life as intended by the Creator. Then no one science will be exalted above another. Each will appreciate understandingly the others and each will serve to advance the whole of scientific endeavor.

Now no one can carry on this great task as God requires unless he is directed by the Spirit of Jesus Christ and by the Holy Scriptures. For only those who have been re-

newed by Christ in their hearts and thus again basically know themselves because they have a true knowledge of God in Christ, only those are in fellowship with the Creator and awake and alert to the real meaning and purpose of the creation and to their task in it under the guidance of God's Word.

In the light of this we, redeemed in Christ, called to glorify our Creator in all of life by loving obedience to His will, dedicate these buildings to Him, pledging through the scientific endeavor carried on here, to lead all God's people in their common calling and purpose as members of Christ's all-encompassing Kingdom.

Appeal for United Support in Annual Fall Foundation Drive

Goal: \$50,000; Needed for Operational Budget

Date: October 28 through November 3

The week of October 28 to November 3 is an important one for Dordt's operational needs. During this week several thousand families, upon whom Dordt depends to a large extent for carrying on its work, will be contacted for their gifts. Although the major part of the income on this drive comes from the local six-classes area, Dordt is gratified with the growing support in other areas. Churches in Arizona, California, Colorado, Canada, Montana, Washington and Wisconsin have contributed significantly in the last two years. Participation by several Orthodox Presbyterian, Protestant Reformed, and Reformed Church of the United States has also helped along appreciably.

In most of the churches young people will call upon the families for their gifts. Some churches are having the Sunday offering on November 3 for this purpose. People are asked to watch the church bulletins for information as the method by which contributions are to be gathered. Those who prefer can send their gifts directly to the college. Self-addressed (postage paid) return envelopes are provided for each family and can be sent directly back to the college.

Rising Costs of Education

With increased enrollments and rising costs of education due to inflationary times, Dordt hopes to raise \$50,000 in this campaign. Tuition has been raised again a respectable amount (\$70.00 per student). Almost 70% of the operational budget comes from the students through tuition. In order that the people know where Dordt gets its operational funds, we publish below a chart of income and expense.

		1969 Budget	% of Total Income
REVENUE:			
Tuition	A	\$522,830	69.1%
Fees	A	25,000	3.3%
Quotas	B	105,108	13.8%
Denominational Offerings	C	27,000	3.6%
Other Income	D	22,850	3.1%
Foundation Day	E	50,000	6.6%
Bookstore	F	2,200	0.3%
Research Overhead	G	1,500	0.2%
TOTAL		\$756,488	100.0%
DISBURSEMENTS:			
General Administrative	A	\$118,000	15.4%
Student Services	B	26,600	3.5%
Staff Benefits	C	44,300	5.8%
General Institutional	D	60,600	7.9%
Instructional Salaries	E	291,650	38.0%
Departmental Supplies and Equipment	F & G	46,950	6.1%
Library	H	66,350	8.6%
Physical Plant	I	91,500	11.9%
Student Financial Assistance	J	21,400	2.8%
TOTAL		\$767,350	100.0%
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Past experience shows that the constituents of Dordt College are ready to support this institution as it grows. Actually what the college asks of its supporters is not a large amount in terms of the potential of contributors. God has blessed Dordt College with abundant blessings through the love and loyalty of His people.